

Minutes of the Mt. Vernon – Black Township Park and Recreation

Board Meeting, September 17th, 2009

The Mt. Vernon – Black Township Parks and Recreation Department Board held its monthly meeting on Thursday, September 17th, 2009, at the Kiwanis Senior Citizen Center at 6:00 p.m. Attending the meeting were: Park Board President Ron Bennett, Members – Linc Baro, Kelly Cox, Don Oeth and Synda Waters. Parks Director – John Tate and Park Board Secretary- Debra Scott.

The motion to authorize payment of claims was made by Linc Baro and seconded by Synda Waters. Motion Carried.

The motion to approve the minutes as written or corrected from the August 19th, 2009, meeting was made by Don Oeth and seconded by Kelly Cox. Motion Carried.

The motion to approve the balance of accounts to be entered into the minutes subject to audit for September 17th, 2009, was made by Linc Baro and seconded by Don Oeth. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Softball Tournaments** – Outside Organizations- Mr. Tate stated the information is basically the same as last months meeting. Mr. Tate stated he had spoke with the Evansville Park and Recreation Department and they allow any organization or individual to host a tournament as long as they pay the fees. Evansville charges \$60.00 a day along with a \$100.00 deposit. The teams are responsible to provide proof of insurance. After the Board discussed the issue Mr. Don Oeth stated the department should stick with non-profit or not for profit organizations only. All Board members agreed.
2. **5th Grade Girls Basketball League**- Mr. Tate stated he found out right before the meeting that the elementary schools will not be letting the basketball league play their games at the school facilities. They will be allowed to use the school gym for practices. Originally the ballgames were going to be played during the week, if the elementary schools were available. The high school will be available on weekends to accommodate the basketball leagues.

See New Business for more information on the Youth Basketball Leagues.

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1. **Boys Youth Basketball-** Mr. Tate stated after the last Board meeting, Coach Kopatich approached him about taking on the Boys Youth Basketball League. Mr. Tate thinks it would be good for the department to bring on a new program over the winter months. Mr. Tate stated his main concern is handling the funds for the league. With the current city financial problems, it would be much easier to continue to use the separate Youth Basketball account. Mrs. Synda Waters stated her concern is if we legally can handle funds and deposit them into an account outside the department. After a lengthy conversation on the issue, Mr. Ron Bennett asked Mr. Tate to contact the city attorney about this matter. The board agreed to allow the department to run the basketball league, after consulting with the city attorney on how we should handle the funds for the league.

Motion was made to adjourn by Don Oeth and seconded by Linc Baro. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned

John Tate, Superintendent

Ron Bennett, Board President

**The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 6:00 pm., Thursday,
October 15th, 2009, at the Kiwanis Senior Citizens Center.**